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SUBJ: PPP WINS SECOND BYELECTION; MINOR CABINET RESHUFFLE

1. PERENIAL PPP CANDIDATE IN BANJUL CENTRAL, HORACE MONDAY SR., DEFEATED FOUR OPPOSITION CANDIDATES IN SPECIAL BY-ELECTION MAY 25. MONDAY BEAT NCP CANDIDATE K.W. FOON BY ONLY 120 VOTES, AND WOULD HAVE LOST HAD IT NOT BEEN FOR 171 VOTES CAST FOR 3 MINOR CANDIDATES. HIS VICTORY BRINGS PPP TO TOTAL OF 29 SEATS IN HOUSE, WITH NCP HOLDING 5, AND UP CONFINED TO 1 SEAT (BANJUL SOUTH). MONDAY WAS HELPED BY FACT HE WAS STRONGEST CHRISTIAN CANDIDATE IN ONLY GAMBIAN CONSTITUENCY WHERE CHRISTIANS PREDOMINATE.

2. IN SURPRISE MOVE, MINISTER OF FINANCE AND TRADE, LAMIN BORA M'BOGE WAS DISMISSED FROM CABINET, ALSO ON MAY 25. HE HAS BEEN REPLACED BY VETERAN CABINET OFFICER (AND FORMER VICE PRESIDENT) ASAN MUSA CAMARA, WHO MOVES OVER FROM EDUCATION TO ASSUME HIS NEW DUTIES. PARLIAMENTARY SECRETARY OF MINISTRY EDUCATION, YOUTH, SPORTS, AND CULTURE, DEMBA JATTA HAS BEEN ELEVATED TO MINISTER'S POSITION. JATTA, A FORMER SCHOOL TEACHER, HAS MOVED WITH GREAT RAPIDITY, IN THAT HE WAS FIRST ELECTED TO PARLIAMENT IN LAST ELECTION, LESS THAN TWO MONTHS AGO. UNCLASSIFIED

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